

A horticultural society was formed at Yakima last week. Hugh Sinclair was elected president, C. P. Wilcox, vice-president and Frank Wheeler secretary. Orlando Beck was nominated for fruit inspector for that county.

Prof. L. H. Bailey gives the following table to represent the outside average limit for the planting of orchards, when the trees are allowed to take their natural form: Apples, 40 feet each way; pears, standard, 20 to 25 feet; pears, dwarf, 12 feet to 1 rod; quinces, 1 rod; peaches, 20 feet; plums, 20 feet; apricots, 20 feet; grapes, 6x8 to 8x10; currants, 4x6 to 6x8; blackberries, 4x7 to 6x9; raspberries, 3x6 to 5x8.

P. A. Bounds, a leading cattleman of Yakima, will take 700 cattle into the Yukon basin next spring.

Ben Snipes, an ex-cattle king and ex-banker of Eastern Washington, will be one of the "boys" in the Klondike rush next spring.

Quick & Ketchum, Carpenter & Co., and Malcolm McLennan each shipped a train of sheep from North Yakima last week.

Sam Griswold, a prominent farmer six miles north of Dayton, is just harvesting the crop from 16 acres of onion seeds and six acres of carrot seeds. As he is not yet through with the work, he is not able to give a definite statement as to results, but thinks he will make about \$4,000 from the products of the 22 acres.

There were over 100 wheat teams unloaded at the warehouses in The Dalles Saturday. Each had on an average about 60 bushels, making over 6,000 bushels delivered during the day. Very little of it was sold, as farmers are generally storing, expecting an advance over the present price.

No two flocks can be fed alike, and no two feeders can feed alike. Because our way of feeding gives us success, it is no guarantee that it will give our neighbors success. Every little detail counts for much. After all, it is not so much the food as it is the whole method of handling.

Later on we will review this part of the industry for the benefit of those who are, possibly, not familiar with winter care of poultry. In the meantime it will be well to get the houses cleaned up and patched up. A few hours work now and then will make the final preparations for winter easy.

Scientists tell us that every element necessary to the support of man is contained within the limits of an egg shell, in the best proportions and in the most palatable form. Generally speaking, farmers use too few eggs and too much pork on their tables. There is nothing in this world more nutritious than fresh eggs.

This fall cleaning should be done as thorough as the spring cleaning. Take out about four or five inches of the old earth and replace with fine, dry, clean dirt, and see that the floor is some six inches higher than the outside ground. Give the inside of roost a good heavy coat of whitewash; it will make it more cheerful during the long cold winter. It is well not to begin these preparations—general cleaning—before the last of this month, so as to have the houses fresh when the fowls are put in their permanent winter quarters.

The outside of the houses and the yards can be fixed up earlier. The best way to make the roost tight is to cover the whole of the outside—roof, sides and all—with heavy tarred felt or roofing paper. No ventilators should be used during winter. The doors and windows will give all the ventilation necessary. Keep the houses clean and they will not need much ventilation, excepting during the warm part of the day. If filth is allowed to accumulate all the ventilators in creation will not remove the disagreeable odors.

San Francisco butchers are trying hard to buy beef in Nevada, but for once in their lives they have met foemen worthy of their steel in the eastern cattlemen. San Francisco has dictated terms to Nevada beef producers for 20 years, but the tables are now turned and the Nevada sellers, with what assistance they can get from the eastern buyers, are dictating terms to San Francisco.

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